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Dear Milos:

It was a great pleasure having you visit us in St. Louis and I hope you enjoyed your visit as much as we enjoyed having you. I know that you visited New York last week and I regret very much that I was not there. I have been coming to New York for a few days each week and I am busy setting up my new laboratories.

Dr. Simeon has gone ahead and has written a fine manuscript describing our experiences with d-cycloserine. As soon as we have a reasonably good copy, we will send one to you.

Thank you very much for the *l*-cycloserine. Dr. Simeon is interested in giving this to some of our patients and I have just arranged for it to be put into 200 mg capsules. In the meantime, I have contacted the Food and Drug Administration and they tell me that there are a few facts that will be needed before we can receive official permission to use this compound in patients. Specifically, they would like to know the manufacturing process, the controls for purity or standardization, and any information regarding stability. I know that this is asking very much, but if such information is available (and it would be just as acceptable in Czechoslovakian as in English), it would make possible the legal administration of *l*-cycloserine. If this information is not available and there is any official document describing your authorization for the use of *l*-cycloserine in patients, perhaps a copy of such authorization may be useful. Also, who produced this compound for you, and is it being used now in other studies and by which investigators in which laboratories?

You must understand that our Food and Drug Administration is probably closely approaching the high standards set by the Eastern countries in the control of science, and any help you can give us to obtain permission will be appreciated.

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Dr. Simeon tells me that he will join both Dr. Itil and myself in Madrid and I hope that we will have an opportunity to visit together there.

Elsevier has agreed to publish our proceedings as a volume in *Progress In Brain Research* and you will be hearing more definitely from us within the next few weeks.

My best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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